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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated May 5, 2004, the Office objected to claim 11 due to informalities, rejected claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the reference of Ebinger (US Patent No. 3,709,112) in view of the reference of Stuart (US Patent No. 6,461,084); rejected claims 1-7 and 11-12 "under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent No. 6,099,203 in view of Ebinger (U.S. Patent No. 3,709,112)" and rejected claims 8-10 under "the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable